(b) Information is as under:—

(*Rs. in crores*)

| Item | Cost |
|---|---|
| Land and building | 13.62 |
| Furnishing | 1.21 |
| Equipment and machinery | 1.73 |
| Airconditioning and refrigeration | 2.06 |
| Working capital | 0.55 |

(c) The Hotel consists of 258 rooms, 2 Deluxe Suites and 13 apartments with 608 beds.

(d) Information is as under:—

| Year | %age room occupancy |
|---|---|
| 1982-83 | 41 |
| 1983-84 | 32 |
| 1984-85 | 43 |
| 1985-86 (up to Nov. 85) | 73 |

(e) Information is as under:—

| | Rooms rented out |
|---|---|
| Gas Authority of India | 76 |
| Other Public under takings and private parties | 26 |

**Loss of mandays**

2320. SHRI S. W. DHABE:

SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of mandays lost due to strikes, lock-outs, closures and lay-offs during the years 1983-84, 1984-85 and from 1st April to 31st October during the current year; and

(b) what steps are being taken for minimising the loss of mandays?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI T. ANJAIAH): (a) Information of mandays lost is maintained calendar year-wise. On the basis of information received in the Labour Bureau, a statement showing the number of mandays lost due to strikes, lockouts and lay-offs during the years 1983 to 1985 is attached. (See below). The concept of loss of mandays is not applicable to closed units.

(b) The Industrial Relations Machinery both at the Centre and in the States continues to make efforts to minimise the incidence of work-stoppages and loss of mandays arising therefrom through preventive mediation, conciliation, adjudication and arbitration as the case may be.

**Statement**

*Number of mandays lost due to strikes, lockouts and lay-offs during* 1983–85

| Year | Number of mandays lost (in millions) due to | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Strikes | Lockouts | Lay-offs |
| 1983 | 11.54* | 21.94 | 2.71 (P) |
| 1984(P) | 39.56 | 15.57 | 0.95 |
| 1985(P) (Jan.-Sept.) | 6.80 | 13.72 | 0.50 |

(P) – Provisional

*– Excluding mandays lost due to Bombay Textile strike.

**Monopoly Procurement of Cotton in Maharashtra**

2321. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the scheme of monopoly procurement of

cotton in Maharashtra has been adversely affected by the textile policy announced by Government; on the 6th June, 1985;

(b) whether loss of more than 50 crores of rupees per year is to, be incurred by the State as a result thereof;

(c) whether the Maharashtra Government has urged the Central Government to reconsider the matter; and

(d) if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI KHURSHID ALAM KHAN): (a) to (c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

**World Bank assistance for Bombay Urban Transport Project**

2322. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Maharashtra Government has launched the Bombay Urban Transport Project for improving bus services within the municipal limits of Greater Bombay with World Bank assistance; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARI): (a) and (b) The Government of Maharashtra is formulating the Bombay Urban Transport Project and have informed that they intend requesting for World Bank credit for the project. The details of the project are still being worked out by the Government of Maharashtra in consultation with concerned technical agencies.

**Admission of TFAI to Union Fairs International**

2323. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Trade Fair Authority of India has been admitted as a member of the Union Fairs International;

(b) if so, to what extent it will help the display of improvements achieved on the products by Indian industries at the International Trade Fairs;

(c) what will be the advantage of India's membership with the world body; and

(d) whether Government have made any assessment of the role of trade fairs in boosting India's export; if so, the details of the assessment made so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE, OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI KHURSHID ALAM KHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) By becoming a member of the Union of Fairs International, Paris the Indian International Trade Fair attains the recognition of Internaional fairs of the world and will secure all publicity abroad through the various media of UFI resuting in increased inflow of foreign exhibitors. buyers trade delegations etc. This will open up considerable oportunities for our own industries to bring about further development and adaptation of products suited to the requirement of international market.

(d) Yes, Sir. A Statement showing details is attached. (*See below*).

**Statement**

The display at the exhibitions organised by Trade Fair Authority of India abroad has created an impact on the general public as a whole and on the businessmen in particular in the country of exhibition. Many of the countries where exhibitions were held did not know that India had achieved so much advancement in industrial, technical and managerial fields.

Although it is not possible to measure the financial results achieved during participation in fairs in terms